

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1506

ANSWERED ON:27.11.2001

SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE CASE

ASHOK NAMDEORAO MOHOL;DR. KIRIT SOMAIYA;RAMSHETH THAKUR;RAVINDRA KUMAR PANDEY

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government are aware of news-item regarding death mystery of Netajee Subhash Chandra Bose appearing in the 'Jansatta' dated 5.11.2001;
- (b) if so, the facts of the matter reported therein;
- (c) whether the Government have set up a Commission on the death of Netajee;
- (d) if so, whether the Commission has submitted its report;
- (e) if so, the details in this regard; and
- (f) if not, the time by which the Commission is likely to give its findings?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): Yes Sir. According to information made available by Justice Mukherjee Commission of Inquiry, some of the matters reported therein partially fit in with the relevant deposition of Dr. (Mrs.) Purabi Roy and Shri Ardhendu Sarkar before the Commission. The Commission had requested Ministry of External Affairs to take up the matter with the Govt. of Russian Union as also the Government concerned of the Residual territories of erstwhile USSR so that the Commission can peruse the classified and declassified documents on Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose/Indian National Army which are lying in their Archives. As desired by the Commission, the Ministry of External Affairs has made available copies of a number of documents mostly in Russian language for scrutiny by the Commission.

(c), (d), (e) & (f): The Government appointed a Commission of Inquiry consisting of Mr. Justice M.K. Mukherjee, a Retired Judge of the Supreme Court of India on 14.05.1999, to inquire into all the facts and circumstances related to the disappearance of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose in 1945 and subsequent developments connected therewith. The present term of the Commission has been extended up to 14.05.2002.